

**Parent Education Class Holds Potluck Supper**

The Torrance parent education class held a potluck supper Monday evening in the Torrance High School cafeteria. General business of the Torrance Nursery School was discussed and tentative plans were made for a Father's Day at the school.

Next Monday night Mrs. Jordan, director of the class, will present further information on the subject of sibling rivalry.

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**North Torrance Tattler**

**Kids in Spotlight On Easter Sunday**

By ILENE ALLISON Menlo 4-2430

Easter has come and gone, leaving many a new bonnet and suit to make happy the small fry who really went all out this year. One of the loveliest of all seen was little Patricia Spence, who looked like a doll in a white pique dress trimmed in red with a matching parasol lined with red. The pique bonnet also was lined with red! Pam Fletcher wore a yellow nylon and carried a straw purse which matched her hat. Little Tina Cortez was a dream as usual in a dotted Swiss dress and coat with the white Swiss matching bonnet. The boys of the area were taking no back seats, as Robbie Fannon appeared in a brown Eaton suit, Joey Fletcher in navy gabardine, Larry Gastelum in tweeds, Mike Towell sporting a bright red bow tie! Churches were filled to overflowing and beautiful music prevailed everywhere as the story of the first Easter was retold.

The monthly meeting of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Assn. brought many out to hear Loren Paulsohn, president of the California Fuchsia Society, speak on the culture of plants suitable for this area. Accompanying Paulsohn was Mrs. D. R. Jones, membership chairman of the society; N. Trueman Peterson, former president and present editor of the Fuchsia Fan; and Marie Peterson, chairman of book sales. A discussion of the various types available and the care required followed the breathtaking slides of most unusual

specimens. The color combinations of purple and red, white and red, pinks of every kind, brought many ohs! from the crowd.

A new Ballet Girl was most admired, as was Checkerboard, Swingtime, and the ever popular Anna. Paulsohn stressed the need for plenty of water on the foliage and stated that pests among these plants are few and diseases minor. A small amount of acid food will yield many blossoms nearly the year around. Small plants set out at this time should be in full bloom by July, and are preferred by growers rather than older plants that tend to be woody. Propagation is a simple matter with only four inches of new growth buried in wet sand (enough to cover at least two joints) being all that is necessary. However, Paulsohn did recommend the use of Rootone or other plant hormones to speed the growth. The practice of "pinching back" was urged by Paulsohn to produce a more handsome plant and at the same time encourage the growth of more flowers. A Fuchsia Society for this area is in the planning stage. The society, however, covers all flowers, and the speaker of the month will cover those tasks that should be done in that particular month. Anyone interested in joining may call me, and I will be glad to supply the details. The best clubs always contain a certain amount of men, so you gardeners desiring to know more on the subject, have access to the best garden consultants available, give a ring and a club will be formed in North Torrance.

President Jack White signed the charter, thus making the North Torrance Civic Association sponsors of the newly organized Explorers a unit of the Boy Scouts. Boys from 14 to 18 will be familiarized with the social graces, better citizenship, and the continuation of Boy Scout work under the leadership of Ross Holbrook, leader of Boy Scout Explorers 761. All boys are issued an invitation to join.

Girl Scout Troop No. 1371, under the leadership of Mrs. H. Chocomaty and Mrs. R. Payne, spent the day at Torrance Park with many interesting activities under way. The girls brought a sack lunch and were prepared to earn the Tenderfoot badge. A trail-marking exhibition highlighted the day. Those mothers assisting the group were Mesdames Kelley, Ferrin, and Stovick. The troop missed Phyllis Ferrin, who last week was struck by a car but is recovering nicely.

Little guys and gals will again be wide-eyed as the line up for smallpox vaccinations at the various schools in the coming week. North Torrance Elementary will inoculate on Monday, April 13, at nine o'clock sharp.

Den Mother Alice McKenzie, assisted by Dorothy Leninger, took Cub Scout Den 4 to Redondo Skateland for a whirl on the rink last Thursday. Among this group were three who had gone into the Webelos. They were Ken MacKenzie, Raymond Grace, and Keith Freiler.

Mrs. G. H. Blake, and son, Jerry, with Mrs. Margaret Garity and children Rita and Tom, spent a most enjoyable Easter week at Desert Hot Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mass left by plane for their home in Milwaukee, Wis., this week, after having spent a vacation at the home of their daughter and family, the Hoffmans, 17031 Faysmith Ave. The very thoughtful neighbors presented them with an orchid and a boutonniere.

Mr. and Mrs. Merry and family, 17030 Ermanita, are vacationing in Vancouver, Canada.

Enjoying a family get-together at the Metz home up Faysmith way are Mr. and Mrs. Fingler, parents of Mrs. Metz, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Gourley and daughter, Diana, sister of Mrs. Metz, from Winnipeg, Canada.

Palm Sunday brought many out for picnics, among those being the Pelayos, Metzses, Wrights and Walter Smiths of Faysmith, who spent the day at Banning Park in Long Beach enjoying the sun and a game of baseball. Many a bottle of rub birg liniment was hauled out the following day!

Mrs. Hernan Cortez, Mrs. Wendell Towell, and Mrs. O. Moss, all from Cerise Ave., spent a day browsing around at Farmers Market last week, hav-

**Traffic Victim Seeks \$110,000 From Motorist**

A suit claiming general and special damages amounting to \$110,000 has been filed in Superior Court by Larnce Bailey, 1632 1/2 W. 216th St., as a result of an accident at Carson St. and Western Ave. last Sept. 1. Bailey, who is represented by Attyrs. Boris S. Woolley and Irving M. Lessin, names Buster B. Williams of Santa Monica and three John Does in the suit which asks for \$100,000 in general damages and \$10,000 in special damages.

The suit charges that Bailey was struck by a car driven by Williams on Carson St. near the intersection of Western Ave. He charges Williams with negligence.

As a result of the accident, Bailey claims, he has been unable to work since Sept. 1, and has been confined to his home. He alleges that his injuries are permanent.

Date of the hearing on the case will be set later.

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ing lunch and doing a little Easter shopping at Ohrbachs.

Glad to hear that Ricky Hale is so much improved after the seige of colds following a tonsillectomy some time ago. He attended the circus this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hale, 16937 Elgar, and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Hap Seymour and daughter, Kit.

Joe Fletcher and Joe Jr., age two, of 17528 Cerise Ave., were baptized at the First Methodist Church Palm Sunday.

The Wendell Towells and a party of friends attended the Crescendo on the Strip last week.

Congratulations to the Jack Whites on their wedding anniversary and birthday greetings to Ann Collins, Ruth Brooks, Jean Brooks, Margaret Garity, and Dave Powles.

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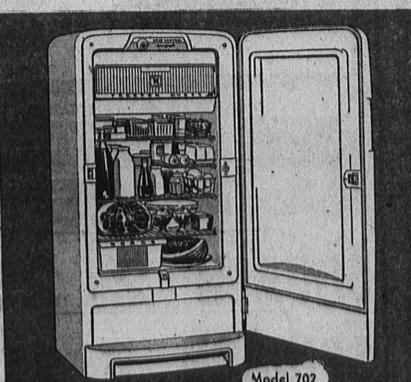
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